

# E-HAPPENINGS

## WESTERN NEVADA COLLEGE

August 19 – September 2, 2008

### NEWS

#### ***Welcome Back to Campus!***

On behalf of administration, faculty and staff, we want to welcome all our students back to WNC campuses and learning centers. For those at the Carson City campus, many changes are visible and more progress is to come. Since the close of spring semester, we have been making our campus more accessible for those with disabilities. We have improved handicap parking spaces and made walking paths less steep. The interior of the Bristlecone Building will have improved access for restrooms and lifts to different levels of the building. We appreciate your patience as we make this transformation. <http://www.wnc.edu/ada.php>

#### ***Wildcats Softball Program is Up and Running***



A brand new sport is taking shape at Western. The intercollegiate Wildcats Softball Team has a distinctly Nevada flavor with 15 of 18 recruits from Nevada and three from California. Veteran coach Dick Allen was selected to lead the team that will play in the Scenic West Athletic Conference. Several scrimmages have been scheduled for September and October, and league play begins in February. Check schedules at <http://www.wnc.edu/athletics/softball/>

#### ***Graduate Numbers on the Rise***

Western students apparently have an eye on the job market. Students are taking more classes than ever, with many emphasizing studies leading to immediate employment. For 2007-2008, the number of associate degrees and certificates awarded was on the rise. Associate of Applied Science grads led the way with 140 earned degrees last year. There were 117 Associate of Arts degrees awarded and 103 in General Studies. Western awarded 14 Associate of Science degrees and 42 certificates.

Applied science courses are generally employment related and include accounting, computer technology, criminal justice, drafting, health information technology, nursing and paralegal studies. Trades related applied science emphasis areas include automotive mechanics, construction technology, drafting, machining and welding. [http://www.wnc.edu/institutional/docs/2007\\_Institutional\\_Portfolio.pdf](http://www.wnc.edu/institutional/docs/2007_Institutional_Portfolio.pdf)



#### ***Access Now Required for College Wireless***

There is no longer an unsecured connection to use the WNC wireless access. Students will need a valid WNC e-mail address and password. The network name is WNCWIRELESS and signs telling of the change are being posted in areas having wireless access in Carson, Fallon and Douglas. Students can contact computer support at 445-4290 for help with their e-mail address and password.

## EVENTS

### ***Sign Up Now for Foundation's Annual Golf Tournament***

**Friday, Sept. 19**

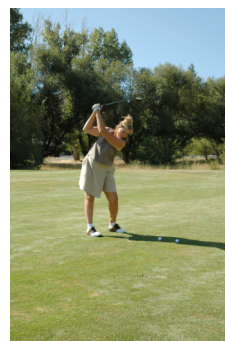
**Eagle Valley West Course - Carson City**

**Entry Fee: \$800 for business teams, and \$150 for individual golfers**

**To sign up, sponsor, or donate: 445-3240**

Signups have been strong for the 11<sup>th</sup> annual WNC/Greater Nevada Credit Union Golf Classic. There is a lot to like for even the casual golfer: a continental breakfast and refreshments all day, closest to the hole prizes, tee prizes, a poker run and golf related raffle prizes. First place net and gross teams can look forward to coveted Wildcats baseball hats, season tickets and championship embroidered shirts. All proceeds will benefit special projects at the college.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2008-06-19a.php>



VP Helaine Jesse oversees the annual event.

### ***Art Faculty to Show Works in Opening Exhibition***

**Monday, Aug. 25 - Friday, Sept. 19/ Reception: Wednesday, Sept. 3, 4:30-7 p.m.**

**Main Gallery - Carson City Campus – Bristlecone Building**

**Admission: Free; Faculty, students and the public are invited**

Western Nevada College will open its 2008-2009 gallery season with a colorful and diverse exhibit by art faculty at the college. Exhibitors will include professors and instructors at the Carson City, Fallon and Douglas campuses. A broad range of formats will include drawings, paintings, prints, traditional and digital photographs, ceramics, sculpture and mixed media.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2008-08-18a.php>



"1<sup>st</sup> Christine Drawing, 2008," shown at right, by WNC Douglas art instructor Alison Harris, will be seen in the WNC faculty art exhibit.

### ***Fallon Art Gallery Opens With Photography Exhibit***

**Monday, Sept. 8 - Friday, Oct. 3**

**Reception: Thursday, Sept. 11, 4:30-6:30 p.m.**

**Art Gallery - Fallon Campus – Virgil Getto Hall**

**Admission: Free; Faculty, students and the public are invited**

WNC Fallon campus will feature photographs by Irwin Sorkin in the opening exhibit of the new school year. "Irwin Sorkin: Platinum Prints" offers "fine art photography" which uses the skills he developed throughout his life as an artist, architect and photographer. It also embraces the formal instruction that Sorkin received in recent years in silver gelatin and platinum printing.



"Ranch Door, Reno, NV 2002"

## COLLEGE CORNER

### ***Sharon Tetly Features Work in Reno***

Art Professor Sharon Tetly exhibited her recent work at the Truckee River Gallery in Reno over the summer. The collection of assemblage prints is part of an ongoing series of large abstract prints loosely based on the scroll shape. Sharon has exhibited both locally and internationally.

## ***Fallon's Dean Scharmann Contributes to Aging Article***

Nevada has one of the fastest growing senior populations in the United States, and in two years the number of seniors is expected to reach 330,000. Fallon Campus Dean Bus Scharmann has made a significant contribution to a study on meeting the needs of older adults. The study was recently released from the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension Service. It addresses how changes in longevity, education, standards of living and other factors have had an impact on the aging process. There is growing pressure on communities to provide a different mix of educational programs and support services for older adults. Scharmann has been instrumental in developing Senior College offerings at WNC Fallon. The full report may be seen at

[www.unce.unr.edu/publications/files/cy/2007/eb0702.pdf](http://www.unce.unr.edu/publications/files/cy/2007/eb0702.pdf).



## **Future Wildcats Softball Star....**



Student Life Coordinator Katie Leao gave birth to Ava Elise Leao on August 15 at home in Gardnerville. Ava weighed eight pounds and was 20 inches long at birth. According to Katie, she's a mellow, happy newborn. Congratulations to Katie, Duncan and big brother Connor!

## **HOLD THE DATE**

**Tuesday, Sept. 9: 11 a.m.-2 p.m. & 5-7 p.m.**

**Dini Student Center – Carson City campus**

**Free Admission**

"Welcome Back" student celebration, sponsored by the Associated Students of Western Nevada. Enjoy pizza, drinks, music and more.

**Wednesday, Sept. 10: noon - 6 p.m.**

**Gazebo Patio – Fallon campus**

**Free Admission**

"Welcome Back" student celebration, sponsored by the Associated Students of Western Nevada. Enjoy pizza, drinks, music and more.

**Friday, Sept. 25: 7 p.m.**

**Marlette Hall, Cedar Building – Carson City campus**

**Free Admission**

"Faces, Voices & Stories" lecture series presents "Rock Bottom Success" – story of a young adult who survived a suicide attempt by jumping off the Golden Gate Bridge.